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**Subject:** FW: Talking Points on Mining for next week

Maybe some additional points?

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From: Purchia, Liz  
Sent: Friday, August 14, 2015 2:09 PM  
To: MacIntyre, Mark  
Subject: Re: Talking Points on Mining for next week

I'd refer you to these

<http://www2.epa.gov/goldkingmine/epa-administrator-gina-mccarthy-8112015-remarks-gold-king-mine>

And these two announcements from today

1)

[http://www.co.laplata.co.us/notices/2015/08/update\\_local\\_response\\_gold\\_king\\_mine\\_and\\_animas\\_river\\_i  
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2) EPA Statement on New Mexico Reopening Private Domestic Water Well Use

Today, New Mexico announced its determination that private domestic water well use along the Animas River should resume based on water quality sampling results collected by both New Mexico Environment Department and the EPA.

Reopening private domestic water well use is a state and local decision and we believe they have taken appropriate steps in arriving at this decision. EPA sampling results from the river collected last week similarly show that water quality conditions are returning toward pre-event conditions.

We know the state has gone through a deliberative process in making this decision. EPA will continue to sample, analyze, and make data available to support local decision makers moving forward to allow them to make the best informed decisions.

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From: MacIntyre, Mark  
Sent: Friday, August 14, 2015 5:05 PM  
To: Purchia, Liz  
Subject: Talking Points on Mining for next week

Liz: we have an event & tour in & around our Bunker Hill mining complex next Wednesday(8/19). Our Superfund director will also deliver a briefing with ID delegation staffers the next day.

Are there any talking points HQ would prefer that we refer to when fielding Gold King-related questions?

Thanks!

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Sent from my iPhone